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### NINE PEOPLE INDICTED IN SEFFNER DRUG RING CASE

United States Attorney Paul I. Perez announced today the unsealing of indictments charging nine individuals with distributing illegal drugs in the Seffner area of Hillsborough County, six have been arrested. Early this morning special agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and deputies with the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office began arresting the individuals involved in Operation Street Heat. The names of the six arrested today and their charges are attached. This investigation began back in January of 1998 when undercover detectives focused their attention on suspected drug sales taking place in a residence located at 1202 N. Parsons Avenue, Seffner, Florida.

Along with the indictments, the United States Attorney's Office has initiated forfeiture proceedings against five real properties, fifteen motor vehicles, three motorcycles, and two boats identified as subject to forfeiture in the indictments and bills of particulars. It is alleged that the properties were used to facilitate the charged drug crimes or constitute proceeds of the alleged crimes.

This investigation was conducted by the FBI and the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, and it will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Erik Matheney. Assistant United States Attorney Bryant R. Camareno will handle the forfeiture proceedings.

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed a violation of the federal criminal laws, and every defendant is presumed innocent until, and unless proven guilty.

Individuals arrested in Operation Street Heat			
Name	DOB	Address	Federal Charges
Darryl Jerome Baker a/k/a "Hickey"	8/18/66	Tampa, Florida	1 count conspiracy with intent to distribute 5 kilograms or more of "crack" cocaine.
Glenn Baker a/k/a "Butterball"	8/24/62	Tampa, Florida	1 count conspiracy with intent to distribute 5 kilograms or more of "crack" cocaine. 3 counts distribution of "crack" cocaine.
Raymond Mills a/k/a "Ray Ray"	10/22/63	Tampa, Florida	1 count conspiracy with intent to distribute 5 kilograms or more of "crack" cocaine.
Chandler McCollin a/k/a "Camel" a/k/a"Dad"	9/23/36	Thonotosassa, Florida	1 count conspiracy with intent to distribute 5 kilograms or more of "crack" cocaine. 1 count of possession with intent to distribute 5 grams or more of "crack" cocaine.
Anthony Duane Jarrett a/k/a "Amp"	7/28/71	Tampa, Florida	1 count conspiracy with intent to distribute 5 kilograms or more of "crack" cocaine.
Cornelius Vaughn Hughes a/k/a "Peanut"	11/21/69	Valrico, Florida	1 count conspiracy with intent to distribute 5 kilograms or more of "crack" cocaine. 6 counts distribution of "crack" cocaine.

### **FEDERAL PENALTIES**

- If convicted, the penalty for distribution of "crack" cocaine is up to 20 years' imprisonment
- ■If convicted, the penalty for conspiracy to distribute "crack" cocaine is up to 20 years' imprisonment
  - ■If convicted, the penalty for distribution of five (5) grams or more of "crack" cocaine is a minimum of 5 years', up to a maximum of 40 years' imprisonment
  - ■If convicted, the penalty for conspiracy to distribute five (5) grams or more of "crack" cocaine is a minimum of 5 years', up to a maximum of 40 years' imprisonment